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SUBJ: AIR SIAM'S APPARENT DEMISE

- 1. LOCAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS 30TH REPORTED THAT AIR SIAM HAD SUSPENDED ALL FLIGHTS FROM HONG KONG TO US, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. AIR SIAM SPOKESMAN DECLINED TO PREDICT WHEN LINE WOULD RESUME FLYING FROM HONG KONG, BUT OTHER AIRLINE REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED BY CONOFF INDICATED THAT AIR SIAM'S FINANCIAL POSITION WAS TOO PRECARIOUS TO PERMIT IT TO RESUME FLIGHTS IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE.
- 2. BY LATE AFTERNOON, FIVE AMCITS HAD CONTACTED CONGEN FOR ASSISTANCE IN RETURNING TO US. CONOFFS CONSELED THEM TO SEEK HELP FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS. NONE OF THE AMCITS APPEARED TO BE WITHOUT SUCH RESOURCES.
- 3. GIVEN AIR SIAM'S ROUTE PATTERNS THROUGH EAST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA TO HAWAII AND WESTERN US, CONOFFS EXPECT THAT OTHER POSTS IN REGION WILL BE FACED UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH CALLS FOR AID SUCH AS WE HAVE RECEIVED.

CONGEN WILL MAKE EFFORTS THIS WEEKEND TO TABULATE

NUMBER OF AMCITS AFFECTED BY AIR SIAM CLLAPSE

AND WILL REPORT AS SOON AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT.

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